

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re

Lordstown Motors Corp., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 23-10831 (MFW)

(Jointly Administered)

Re: Docket No. 14

**INTERIM ORDER (A) ESTABLISHING NOTICE AND HEARING PROCEDURES FOR
TRADING IN EQUITY SECURITIES IN THE DEBTORS
AND (B) GRANTING OTHER RELATED RELIEF**

Upon the motion (the “**Motion**”)² of the Debtors for entry of an order (this “**Order**”) pursuant to sections 105, 362(a) and 541 of the Bankruptcy Code, establishing notification and hearing procedures that must be satisfied before certain transfers of equity securities in the Debtors or of any beneficial interests therein, including Options to acquire such equity securities are deemed effective and the Court having found that it has jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference*, dated February 29, 2012 (Sleet, C.J.); and consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due, sufficient, and proper notice of the Motion having been provided under the circumstances and in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules, and it appearing that no other or further

¹ The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are: Lordstown Motors Corp. (3239); Lordstown EV Corporation (2250); and Lordstown EV Sales LLC (9101). The Debtors’ service address is 27000 Hills Tech Ct., Farmington Hills, MI 48331.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

notice need be provided; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Motion (the “**Hearing**”); and upon consideration of the First Day Declaration; and the upon the record of the Hearing and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors and their estates, as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 6003, and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, their stakeholders, and all other parties-in-interest, and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED on an interim basis as set forth herein.
2. Any postpetition purchase, sale, or other transfer of equity interests in the Debtors in violation of the procedures set forth herein (including the notice requirements) shall be null and void *ab initio* as an act in violation of the automatic stay under sections 362 and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, subject to further order of the Court.
3. The Debtors are authorized to execute and deliver such documents and to take and perform all actions necessary to implement and effectuate the relief granted in this Order.
4. The following procedures shall apply to trading in issued and outstanding Class A common stock issued by Lordstown Motors Corp. (“**Lordstown Common Stock**”) and Series A convertible preferred stock issued by Lordstown Motors Corp. (“**Lordstown Preferred Stock**”):
 - a) Any postpetition purchase, sale, or other transfer of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock in violation of the procedures set forth herein (including notice requirements) shall be null and void *ab initio* as an act in violation of the automatic stay under sections 362 and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, subject to further order of the Court;
 - b) Any person or entity (as defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.382-3(a)) who currently is or becomes a Substantial Shareholder (as defined below) shall file with

this Court, and serve on counsel to the Debtors a notice of such status, in the form of **Exhibit A-1** attached hereto, on or before the later of (i) 20 calendar days after the date of the Notice of Order (as defined below) and (ii) 10 calendar days after becoming a Substantial Shareholder;

- c) At least 30 calendar days prior to effectuating any transfer of equity securities (including Options to acquire such securities, as defined below) that would result in an increase in the amount of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock beneficially owned by a Substantial Shareholder or would result in a person or entity becoming a Substantial Shareholder, such Substantial Shareholder shall file with this Court, and serve on counsel to the Debtors advance written notice, in the form of **Exhibit A-2** attached hereto, of the intended transfer of equity securities;
- d) At least 30 calendar days prior to effectuating any transfer of equity securities (including Options to acquire such securities, as defined below) that would result in a decrease in the amount of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock beneficially owned by a Substantial Shareholder or would result in a person or entity ceasing to be a Substantial Shareholder, such Substantial Shareholder shall file with this Court, and serve on counsel to the Debtors advance written notice, in the form of **Exhibit A-3** attached hereto, of the intended transfer of equity securities (the notices required to be filed and served under paragraph (c) and this paragraph (d), each a “**Notice of Proposed Transfer**”);
- e) The Debtors shall have 20 calendar days after receipt of a Notice of Proposed Transfer to file with this Court and serve on such Substantial Shareholder an objection to any proposed transfer of equity securities described in the Notice of Proposed Transfer on the grounds that such transfer may adversely affect the Debtors’ ability to utilize their Tax Attributes. If the Debtors file an objection, such transaction will not be effective unless approved by a final and nonappealable order of this Court. If the Debtors do not object within such 20-day period, such transaction may proceed solely as set forth in the Notice of Proposed Transfer. Further transactions within the scope of this paragraph must be the subject of additional notices as set forth herein, with an additional 20-day waiting period; and
- f) For purposes of these procedures, (A) a “**Substantial Shareholder**” is any person or entity (as defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.382-3(a)) which beneficially owns at least 4.50% of all issued and outstanding Lordstown Common Stock (equal to, as of the Petition Date, approximately 717,502 shares)³ or at least 4.50% of all issued and outstanding Lordstown Preferred Stock (equal to, as of the Petition Date,

³ Based on, as of the Petition Date, approximately 15,952,991 shares of Lordstown Common Stock issued and either outstanding or in the process of being settled for equity awards that vested prior to the Petition Date, which reflects the Reverse Stock Split implemented on May 23, 2023.

approximately 13,500 shares)⁴ and (B) “**Beneficial Ownership**” (or any variation thereof of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock and Options to acquire Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock) shall be determined by the Debtors, in accordance with applicable rules under Section 382, Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder and rulings issued by the Internal Revenue Service, and thus, to the extent provided therein, from time to time shall include, without limitation, (i) direct and indirect ownership (*e.g.*, a holding company would be considered to beneficially own all units owned or acquired by its subsidiaries), (ii) ownership by the holder’s family members and persons acting in concert with the holder to make a coordinated acquisition of stock, and (iii) an Option to acquire Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock, but only to the extent such Option is treated as exercised under Treasury Regulation Section 1.382-4(d). An “**Option**” is any option or right to acquire stock including, without limitation, any contingent purchase, warrant, convertible debt, put, stock subject to risk of forfeiture, contract to acquire stock, or similar interest, regardless of whether it is contingent or otherwise not currently exercisable.

5. The following procedures shall apply to claims for tax purposes that shares of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock are worthless:

- a) Any postpetition worthless stock deduction claim of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock in violation of the procedures set forth herein (including notice requirements) shall be null and void *ab initio* as an act in violation of the automatic stay under sections 362 and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, subject to further order of the Court;
- b) Any person or entity (as defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.382-3(a)) who currently is or becomes a 50% Shareholder (as defined below) shall file with this Court, and serve on counsel to the Debtors a notice of such status, in the form of **Exhibit A-4** attached hereto, on or before the later of (i) 20 calendar days after the date of the Notice of Order (as defined below) and (ii) 10 calendar days after becoming a 50% Shareholder;
- c) At least 30 days prior to filing any federal or state tax return, or any amendment to such a return, claiming any deduction for the worthlessness of the equity (including Options to acquire such securities, as defined below) in Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock, for a tax year ending before the Debtors’ emergence from chapter 11 protection, such 50% Shareholder shall file with this Court, and serve on counsel to the Debtors advance written notice, in the form of **Exhibit A-5** attached hereto (a “**Notice of Intent to Claim a Worthless Stock Deduction**”), of the intended claim of worthlessness;

⁴ Based on approximately 300,000 shares of Lordstown Preferred Stock issued and outstanding as of the Petition Date.

- d) The Debtors will have 20 calendar days after receipt of a Notice of Intent to Claim a Worthless Stock Deduction to file with this Court and serve on such 50% Shareholder an objection to any proposed claim of worthlessness described in the Notice of Intent to Claim a Worthless Stock Deduction on the grounds that such claim might adversely affect the Debtors' ability to utilize their Tax Attributes. If the Debtors file an objection, such claim will not be permitted unless approved by a final and non-appealable order of this Court. If the Debtors do not object within such 20-day period, such claim may be permitted solely as set forth in the Notice of Intent to Claim a Worthless Stock Deduction. Additional tax returns and amendments within the scope of this paragraph must be the subject of additional notices as set forth herein, with an additional 20-day waiting period; and
- e) For purposes of these procedures, (A) a **"50% Shareholder"** is any person or entity that at any time during the 3-year period ending on the last day of the taxable year with respect to which the worthless stock deduction is claimed, has had Beneficial Ownership of 50% or more of Lordstown Common Stock or has had Beneficial Ownership of 50% or more of Lordstown Preferred Stock, and (B) **"Beneficial Ownership"** (or any variation thereof of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock and Options to acquire Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock) shall be determined by the Debtors, in accordance with applicable rules under Section 382, Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder and rulings issued by the Internal Revenue Service, and thus, to the extent provided therein, from time to time shall include, without limitation, (i) direct and indirect ownership (e.g., a holding company would be considered to beneficially own all shares owned or acquired by its subsidiaries), (ii) ownership by the holder's family members and persons acting in concert with the holder to make a coordinated acquisition of stock, and (iii) an Option to acquire Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock, but only to the extent such Option is treated as exercised under Treasury Regulation section 1.382-4(d). An **"Option"** is any option or right to acquire stock including, without limitation, any contingent purchase, warrant, convertible debt, put, stock subject to risk of forfeiture, contract to acquire stock, or similar interest, regardless of whether it is contingent or otherwise not currently exercisable.

6. The Debtors may waive, in writing and in their sole and absolute discretion, any and all restrictions, stays, and notification procedures contained in this Order.

7. The Debtors shall serve the Notice of Order setting forth the procedures authorized herein substantially in the form annexed hereto as **Exhibit A-6 ("Notice of Order")** on the following parties: (i) the U.S. Trustee; (ii) Foxconn; (iii) holders of the thirty (30) largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis); (iv) the Internal Revenue Service; (v) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (vi) the United States Attorney for the District of

Delaware; (vii) the state attorneys general for all states in which the Debtors conduct business; (viii) any such other party entitled to notice pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(m); (ix) all registered and record holders of Lordstown Common Stock and Lordstown Preferred Stock (with instructions for any banks, brokers or other agents to forward the materials to the beneficial holders of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock); and (x) any such other party entitled to receive notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. Notice served pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be via first class mail, postage prepaid. In addition, the Debtors shall, within four (4) business days of entry of this Order, file a form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission attaching the Notice of Order as an exhibit. Moreover, the Debtors shall cause the Procedures to be posted on the website established by Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC, as claims and noticing agent for these chapter 11 cases (which website address shall be identified in the Notice of Order).

8. The Notice of Order is deemed adequate and sufficient to alert all known shareholders of the Procedures.

9. All registered holders of Lordstown Common Stock and Lordstown Preferred Stock shall be required to serve the Notice of Order on any holder for whose benefit such registered holder holds such Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock down the chain of ownership for all such holders of Lordstown Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock. Any person or entity or broker or agent acting on such person or entity's behalf who sells at least 4.50% of all issued and outstanding units of Lordstown Common Stock or at least 4.50% of all issued and outstanding units of Lordstown Preferred Stock (or an Option with respect thereto) to another person or entity shall provide a copy of the Notice of Order to such purchaser of such Lordstown

Common Stock or Lordstown Preferred Stock or to any broker or agent acting on such purchaser's behalf, to the extent reasonably feasible.

10. The requirements set forth in this Order are in addition to the requirements of Rule 3001(e) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and applicable securities, corporate and other laws, and do not excuse compliance therewith.

11. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order, nor any payment made pursuant to the authority granted by this Order, is intended to be or shall be construed as (a) an admission as to the validity, extent, perfection, priority, allowability, or enforceability of any claim or any security interest which purportedly secures such claim, (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any appropriate party in interest's rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against the Debtors, (c) a promise to pay any claim, (d) a waiver of any claims or causes of action which may exist against any creditor or interest holder, (e) an assumption or rejection of any executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and nothing herein otherwise affects the Debtors' rights under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code to assume or reject any executory contract or unexpired lease with any party subject to this Order; (f) granting third-party beneficiary status or bestowing any additional rights on any third party; or (g) being otherwise enforceable by any third party.

12. The requirements set forth in Local Rule 9013-1(b) are satisfied.

13. The Court finds and determines that the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) are satisfied and that relief is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm.

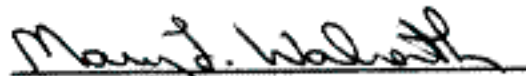
14. The notice requirement set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) is satisfied.

15. This Order is immediately effective and enforceable notwithstanding the provisions of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) or otherwise.

16. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the enforcement of this Order.

17. The deadline by which objections to entry of a final order on the Motion must be filed is July 20, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) (the “**Objection Deadline**”). The Final Hearing, if required, will be held on July 27, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. (Eastern Time).

Dated: June 28th, 2023
Wilmington, Delaware



MARY F. WALRATH
8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE